

**MONTANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
UTILITY DIVISION
AGENDA NO. 00-05-22**

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For Work Week Commencing: May 22, 2000
Business Meeting: May 22, 2000, 10:00 a.m.

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Work Sessions All items identified below are for Commission discussion or action on the day designated (Dan).

1. Discuss MPC Sale – Placeholder – (5/23/00)
2. D2000.3.39 – Regional Services – Request for Waiver of Electric Master Meter – To discuss the filing and discussions staff has had with the applicant and to possibly take action (5/23/00)
3. D2000.1.11 – USWC and Citizens Telecommunications of Montana – Sale of exchanges – Discuss and act on objections to Data Requests of Commission, MCC and Joint intervenors (5/23/00)
4. D99.11.250 – Mid-Rivers Telephone Cooperative – Mid-Rivers ETC, Wibaux Exchange – Placeholder for discussion, direction, action on stipulation, other matters as necessary (5/23/00)
5. D99.5.129 and D99.7.172 – Mid-Rivers, 3 Rivers, Triangle, Project – Additional EAS in Billings and Great Falls Regions – Further update on possibility of settlement, bifurcation, extension of time, other matters as necessary (5/23/00)

6. L-99.6.7-RUL – PSC Fee Rules – Post hearing discussion and adoption (5/23/00)

Weekly Scheduling Meeting – Will be held at 9:45 a.m. on the day of the Business Meeting

Action Items All items identified below are for action at the Commission business meeting.

1. MCI WORLDCOM Docket No. N2000.5.65 (Leroy)

On May 1, 2000 MCI filed Transmittal Letter No. 99-27 with changes to its Montana Tariff No. 2 to introduce a calling card plan for MCI One savings Calling Card.

2. US WEST Docket No. N2000.4.61 (Dave)

On April 26, 2000, US WEST filed Tariff Transmittal 00-17 and 00-PLT01, "Clarification of Customer Payment Options and Partial Rule Waiver-Electronic Billing". US WEST said this filing was made to meet the needs of many customers who find it more convenient to pay their monthly telephone bill by credit card or by automatic electronic funds transfer. This filing clarifies the terms and conditions relating to customers payment options and the application of a charge of \$11.80 for payments returned for insufficient funds or on a closed account. In addition, US WEST has requested a partial waiver of Rule 38.5.3332(1)(a) ARM, which requires "typed or machine-printed bills". This waiver is only for those customers who choose to receive an electronic bill. The electronic bill will be in the same format as the printed paper bill and will contain all of the information required by Commission rule.

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Avenue, P.O. Box 202601, Helena, Montana, 59620-2601, within 5 calendar days following publication of this agenda.

1. USWEST COMMUNICATIONS Docket No. N2000.5.69 (Leroy)

On May 9, 2000, USWest filed Tariff Transmittal 00-18, "Message Delivery Service - Interoffice" to introduce Message Delivery Service - Interoffice. MDS-I transmits call-related information pertaining to incoming calls to an MDS-I customer's multiline hunt group. The service is similar to Message Delivery Service but in on an interoffice basis.

2. FRONT RANGE PIPELINE N2000.5.68 (Joel)

On May 11, 2000, Front Range Pipeline filed a request to amend Montana PSC Tariff No. 12. The current tariff is incorrect and needs to be changed to read from Santa Rita Station, Glacier Co. Montana to Great Falls, Cascade Co. Montana instead of International Boundary, Toole Co. Montana to Great Falls. This change will not affect rates. This will be for action next week.

Information Items All items identified below are for information only.

Tentative Action Items for Agenda 00-05-29

New Filings Received in Past Week

- N2000.5.68 – Front Range Pipe Line – Motion to amend tariff
- N2000.5.69 – USWC – Tariff 00-18 re: Message Delivery Service - Interoffice
- D2000.5.70 – USWC – Application and motion for procedure to manage the Section 271 process
- D2000.5.71 – USWC – Application for interconnection and resale agreement with Healthcare Liability Management Corp